

IN THE CLAIMS

1. **(currently amended)** A fuel tank (1) for a motor vehicle having a plurality of surge chambers (6, 6') for collecting fuel, having a plurality of fuel pumps (7, 7') for feeding fuel from the surge chambers to an internal combustion engine of the motor vehicle and for feeding fuel to suction jet pumps (16, 16') arranged in the fuel tank, and having feed lines for the suction jet pumps for feeding fuel into the surge chambers, characterized in that the surge chambers (6, 6') are permanently sealed chambers that regulate ~~closed in a manner essentially forming a seal thereby enabling control~~ of the quantities of fuel entering the surge chambers by means of counter pressures which regulate feed rates of the jet pumps.
2. **(previously presented)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 1, wherein a return line (13) coming from a pressure regulator opens into a plurality of surge chambers (6, 6').
3. **(previously presented)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 1, wherein the suction jet pumps (16, 16') and surge chambers (6, 6') respectively arranged in mutually opposite chambers (2, 3) of the fuel tank (1) and are connected to one another.
4. **(currently amended)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 3, wherein the surge chambers (6, 6') are respectively filled via ~~a combined~~ jet lines (21, 21').
5. **(previously presented)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 1, wherein the surge chambers (6, 6') have a cup-shaped base part (17) and a cover (18) which closes the opening of the cup-shaped base part (17).
6. **(previously presented)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 5, wherein the cover (18) is clipped to the cup-shaped base part (17).
7. **(previously presented)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 5, wherein the cover (18) or the base part (17) is manufactured from a material which is capable of swelling in fuel.

8. **(previously presented)** The fuel tank as defined in claim 5, 6 or 7, wherein the cover (18) has a sealing element (19) to seal it off from the base part (17).